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The Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) along with its partner, The Boeing Company, celebrates the opening of its 2004 WESTEC exposition, North America's largest annual manufacturing and metalworking event and one of the 100 largest tradeshow in North America, at the Los Angeles Convention Center on Monday, March 22, 2004.

SME has served the West Coast Manufacturing Community for over 40 years – right in downtown Los Angeles and will infuse an estimated \$11 million in the local economy by way of hotels, restaurants and convention services an illustration of its commitment to the City of Los Angeles and symbolic of this area's importance to the global economy, specifically manufacturing.

SME designed their WESTEC annual exposition to support the 530,000 manufacturing jobs of LA County in vital industries like aerospace and defense, medical, high tech and more. The 5 county area is the largest manufacturing market in the U.S. Over 20,000 manufacturers attend WESTEC from the LA region every year – looking for the latest technology; and

SME, in collaborations with its business and industry partners, has supported workforce development in providing over \$1 million in cash grants, scholarships and awards to California schools encouraging California students to explore manufacturing careers through the WESTEC Manufacturing Challenge and Student Summit.

THEREFORE I MOVE THAT THE Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles do hereby proclaim the **week of March 21<sup>st</sup> through March 27, 2004**, to be **MANUFACTURING WEEK IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES** and urge all citizens of the County of Los Angeles to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

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